

California MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

NOTICES & REPORTS

Council Meeting Minutes

Tentative Draft: Minutes of the 487th Meeting of the Council, Los Angeles, Ambassador Hotel, January 11, 1963.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Anderson in the Ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, on Friday, January 11, 1963, at 2:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present were President Wheeler, Speaker Doyle, Secretary Hosmer, and Councilors MacLaggan, Wilson, Todd, Quinn, O'Neill, Bullock, Ham, Rogers, Dalton, Murray, Davis, Miller, Watts, Campbell, Morrison, Kaiser, Anderson, Dozier, Cosentino and Grunigen.

Absent for cause, President-Elect Sherman, Vice-Speaker Heron, Editor Wilbur and Councilor O'Connor.

A quorum present and acting.

Present by invitation were Messrs. Hunton, Thomas, Clancy, Collins, Clark, Marvin, Whelan, Klutch and Tobitt, Mrs. Griffith and Doctor Batchelder of C.M.A. staff; Howard Hassard, legal counsel; Ben H. Read of the Public Health League; county executives Lingerfelt of Fresno, Field of Los Angeles, Baker of Los Angeles, Grove of Monterey, Brayer of Riverside, Donmyer of San Bernardino, Nute of San Diego, Thompson of San Joaquin, Colvin of Santa Clara, Brown of Sonoma, Bailey of Tulare, Rideout of Butte-Glenn and Rosenthal of Forty First; Doctor Lester McDonald of State Department of Social Welfare; John Pompelli of the A.M.A.; Doctors T. Eric Reynolds and Gerald W. Shaw; Doctors T. Ballentine Henley and Benjamin Wells of the California College of Medicine; Doctors A. F. Kandlbinder, D. M. Dubrasich and Osman H. Hull of Monterey County; Doctors A. F. Howard and L. J. Snyder of Fresno County, and others.

1. Minutes for Approval:

On motion duly made and seconded, minutes of the 486th Council meeting, held December 15, 1962, were approved.

2. Nursing Homes:

President Wheeler reported on a meeting of the California Commission for Accreditation of Nursing Homes and Related Facilities and told of the need for additional working capital to continue this operation. A total of \$30,000 is being sought and the Association has been asked to guarantee \$6,000 of additional bank loans. On motion duly made and seconded, and with the announced approval of the Finance Committee, it was voted to guarantee bank loans for an additional \$6,000 for the commission.

Mr. Hassard presented a proposed legislative bill which would assure that rates paid to nursing homes under state programs would be at the same level as rates for other patients in the area. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to instruct the Committee on Legislation to secure sponsorship for such legislation.

3. Financing of Medical School:

Doctor Wheeler announced that Doctors Joseph P. O'Connor and Arthur A. Kirchner had found it

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necessary to resign from a committee established to plan and carry out programs for assisting in the financing of the California College of Medicine. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to request the Los Angeles County Medical Association to name two of its members as successors to these members of the committee.

4. *State Medical Fees:*

Doctor Wheeler read a letter received from Edwin W. Beach of the State Department of Finance, in which he proposed several alternatives to be used in the establishment of adequate medical fees to be paid by the state under its various programs. There was considerable discussion on these proposals and others were offered by members of the Council. To resolve the matter, the following motions were duly made, seconded and voted:

1. To urge the California State Department of Finance to use the 1960 Relative Value Studies as the base for any program of fees to be paid by the state.

2. To urge the state Legislature to appropriate adequate funds so that dollar factors for the 1960 Relative Value Studies may be designed to maintain total costs for all state medical services at equitable levels.

3. To request the State Department of Finance to confer with an appropriate committee of the Association in setting factors to apply for the balance of the current fiscal year.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to request the Committee on Committees to designate the committee referred to above.

5. *Committee on Mental Health:*

Doctor Stuart Knox, chairman of the Committee on Mental Health, reported on a mental health congress held by the A.M.A. in Chicago, at which a large number of physicians from California were present.

Doctor Knox also requested authority for the committee to cooperate with state authorities in furthering the concept of providing mental health services in the patients' home areas. On motion duly made and seconded, such authority was voted.

6. *Finance Committee:*

Councilor Davis, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported on a recommendation of the Committee on School Health that a health educator be employed by the Association. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to refer this proposal to the Scientific Board and the Bureau on Communications for study and report.

Doctor Davis also reported on a proposal that a program be established to investigate all cases of death from aplastic anemia, using an area team setup similar to that employed in current programs looking into perinatal mortality cases. The committee recommended that this matter be referred to the Committee on Dangerous Drugs. On motion duly made and seconded, this recommendation was approved.

Doctor Davis also presented the budget prepared by the committee for the 1963-1964 fiscal year and outlined the conditions under which the budget had been prepared. Discussion was held on the proposed budget item covering the attendance of Alternate Delegates to the A.M.A. at both annual and clinical sessions. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to authorize alternate delegates to attend both annual and clinical meetings of the A.M.A. and to adjust the budget item accordingly.

7. *Ad Hoc Committee on Scientific Board:*

Councilor Watts, reporting for the ad hoc committee on scientific board, presented a recommendation that the Pacific Society for Ophthalmology and the Association of American Medical Colleges be added to the list of organizations from which members of the Scientific Board might be appointed. On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to add these two names to the approved list.

Doctor Watts also presented the recommendation that the Forty First Medical Society, whose members have not yet had an opportunity to become identified with scientific sections, be asked to make three nominations for consideration for appointment to the Scientific Board, pending the 1963 Annual Session. On motion duly made and seconded, this recommendation was approved.

Final recommendations for members of the Scientific Board will be presented at the February meeting of the Council.

8. *Bureau of Research and Planning:*

Doctor Gerald W. Shaw, chairman of the Bureau of Research and Planning, presented specimen copies of digested reports emanating from the bureau, designed for distribution at moderate cost. The format was referred to the Bureau on Communications for consideration.

9. *Commission on Public Agencies:*

Doctor MacLaggan, chairman of the Commission on Public Agencies, reported that Type III oral polio vaccine has been given clearance for administration and that plans are going ahead throughout the state for this final round in polio immunization campaigns. Persons above age 30 are to be warned

of the slight danger of disease inherent in this material.

Doctor MacLaggan also reported on his attendance at a hearing held by an interim committee of the state Legislature on the question of broadening the laws on therapeutic abortions. Doctor MacLaggan testified in behalf of the Association to the effect that the CMA is in favor of any amendments which will be conducive to the welfare of the patient.

10. Commission on Community Health Services:

Councilor Morrison, reporting for Doctor Harold Kay, chairman of the Commission on Community Health, reported on a proposed broad research project in school health, for which funds may be available through the California Dairy Council. The commission recommended that this project be reviewed by the Committee on School Health and the California Medical Education & Research Foundation. On motion duly made and seconded, this referral was voted, a report to be made later to the Council.

11. Committee on Legislation:

Councilor Rogers reported on a meeting of the allied health professions on the subject of legislation anticipated in the 1963 legislative session. One problem anticipated is the question of podiatrists being admitted to hospitals for surgical privileges.

12. Legal Department:

Mr. Hassard reported that two suits have been filed against the California College of Medicine and others on grounds that the degree of M.D. had not been granted to the plaintiffs. The college will defend these suits.

13. New Business:

Two resolutions adopted by the California Academy of General Practice were presented for consideration. One asking that differences in industrial fees between services performed by radiological specialists and generalists was, on motion duly made and seconded, referred to the Committee on Fees. The second, seeking elimination of the term "socialized medicine" in medical organization usage, was on motion duly made and seconded, referred to the Bureau on Communications.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to award a suitable scroll or plaque to Doctor Donald A. Charnock for his leadership and activities for the past ten years in connection with student and hospital house officer conferences in Los Angeles.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to contribute \$500 to a scholarship fund established in the names of the two late sons of Doctor and State Senator Stephen P. Teale.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before it, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. in the memory of the family of Doctor Stephen P. Teale, victims of a traffic accident.

CARL E. ANDERSON, M.D., *Chairman*
MATTHEW N. HOSMER, M.D., *Secretary*

In Memoriam

BARTHOLOMEW, JOHN YOUNG, San Francisco. Died January 8, 1963, in San Francisco, aged 80, of heart disease. Graduate of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of San Francisco, 1909. Licensed in California in 1911. Doctor Bartholomew was a retired member of the San Francisco Medical Society and the California Medical Association, and an associate member of the American Medical Association.



BURLINGAME, RALEIGH W., San Diego. Died November 25, 1962, in San Diego, aged 79. Graduate of Eclectic Medical University, Kansas City, Missouri, 1912. Licensed in California in 1916. Doctor Burlingame was a retired member of the San Francisco Medical Society and the California Medical Association, and an associate member of the American Medical Association.



CLARKE, HARVEL BUTLER, Pasadena. Died January 26, 1963, in Pasadena, aged 55, of cerebral hemorrhage. Graduate of Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri, 1940. Licensed in California in 1942. Doctor Clarke was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association.



CREEDON, RICHARD J., Monterey. Died January 29, 1963, at Pebble Beach, aged 39, in an automobile crash. Graduate of Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts, 1950. Licensed in California in 1957. Doctor Creedon was a member of the Monterey County Medical Society.



GILRANE, JOHN J., San Marino. Died January 10, 1963, in San Marino, aged 44, of a coronary. Graduate of the University of Southern California School of Medicine, Los Angeles, 1944. Licensed in California in 1944. Doctor Gilrane was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association.



HATFIELD, J. GORDON, Burbank. Died January 3, 1963, in Burbank, aged 62, of carcinoma of the liver. Graduate of the California College of Medicine, 1962. Licensed in California in 1962. Doctor Hatfield was a member of the Forty First Medical Society.